AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MAY 12, 2003

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1097

Introduced by Assembly Member Cogdill

(Coauthor: Senator Poochigian)

February 20, 2003

An act to add an article heading to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 37700) of Part 22 of, and to add Article 2 (commencing with Section 37710) to Chapter 6 of Part 22 of, the Education Code, relating to schools. An act relating to school districts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1097, as amended, Cogdill. Four-day school week: small school districts Mariposa County Unified School District.

Existing law prescribes the minimum number of instructional minutes per schoolday for grades 1 to 12, inclusive.

This bill would authorize a small school district, as defined, to operate that school on a 4-day school week, provided the number of annual instructional minutes is not less than that of schools of the same grade levels utilizing the traditional school calendar requires each county unified school district that is governed by the county board of education to meet 3 specified requirements, including a minimum annual mileage requirement, to be eligible to receive an additional annual apportionment of \$350,000 for home-to-school transportation costs provided by the school district.

This bill would exempt the Mariposa County Unified School District from that annual minimum mileage requirement.

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The bill would provide that its provisions become inoperative on and after July 1, 2006, and are repealed on January 1, 2007.

The bill would declare that, due to the unique circumstances regarding the Mariposa County Unified School District, a general statute within the meaning of specified provisions of the California Constitution cannot be made applicable and a special statute is necessary.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. An article heading is added to Chapter 6
(commencing with Section 37700) of Part 22 of the Education
Code, to read:

Article 1. Pacific Unified School District and Leggett Valley
Unified School District

SEC. 2. Article 2 (commencing with Section 37710) is added to Chapter 6 of Part 22 of the Education Code, to read:

Article 2. Small School Districts

37710. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a small school district, as defined by Section 37715, may elect to operate any school within its district on a four-day school week, provided the school district complies with the minimum amounts of instructional times set forth in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 46201.

- 37715. For the purposes of this article, "a small school district" means any of the following school districts:
- (1) A unified school district having an average daily attendance of less than _____.
- (2) A high school district having an average daily attendance of less than _____.
- (3) An elementary school district having an average daily attendance of less than _____.
- SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the minimum mileage requirement set forth in paragraph (3) of

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subdivision (d) of Section 41851 of the Education Code does not
 apply to the Mariposa County Unified School District.

SEC. 2. This act shall become inoperative on and after July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute that is enacted before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

- SEC. 3. The Legislature finds and declares that due to unique circumstances regarding the Mariposa County Unified School District, a general statute cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution.
- meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution.
 Therefore, the special legislation contained in Section 1 of this act
- 12 is necessarily applicable only to the Mariposa County Unified
- 13 School District.

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